

MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

Meeting Date: December 19, 2013

Agenda Item: Board Policy on approving capital and grants.

Division: Parks

Action Needed: Final

Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation: 5 minutes

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Background (Brief description of the issue, decision to be made, history, etc.):

Last meeting the Board reviewed the draft board policy on capital projects with an estimated cost of more than \$5,000. The Board discussed the levels of involvement in various decisions and directed the division to finalize a policy for the December meeting.

This Board policy establishes a consistent process to follow statute and address the Board's responsibility to approve capital projects with a value over \$5,000.

Public Involvement Process & Results (Brief description of the type of public involvement and summary of what we heard from the public): This policy for Board approval was noticed on each board agenda and is available for public comment at the Boards regularly scheduled meeting.

Alternatives and Analysis (Brief description of alternative solutions with analysis of the pros and cons of each): Alternative A) Consider this policy and adopt, thereby putting it into effect. Alternative B) Do not approve this policy and ask the division to reconsider the options.

Agency Recommendation & Rationale (Brief description of our recommendation to the Board and the reasons for it): The agency urges the Board to pursue Alternative A, establishing policy to guide its decisions and agency staff in compliance with the law.

Proposed Motion (Draft language the Board could use to adopt the agency recommendation): I move to adopt this policy for 'Approval of Capital' for Montana State Parks actions in the future.